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State Route 299 Project to be Monitored

REDDING – The Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is actively monitoring a slope and roadway stabilization project on State Route 299 approximately six miles east of Douglas City in Trinity County. Due to the recent wave of wet storms the ground around the Fawn Lodge project, near the Old Lewiston Road, is becoming saturated and starting to show signs of distress. Construction crews will be monitoring the work site on a daily basis during inclement weather to be prepared to react with a cleanup effort in the event of a slope failure.

The \$3 million roadway project begun this summer was designed to repair and improve a previous slope failure. The new project was to move the roadway farther to the south by excavating the hillside to reach a more stable ground condition. The slope condition above the roadway appears to have developed additional stability problems.

The affected hillside and the roadway will be lighted by portable light towers to allow workers to see any signs of movement and any possible obstructions that may make their way from the slope to the surface of the road. Flashing beacons and changeable message signs will alert motorists of the approaching roadway conditions.

At the present time no delays to travel are being encountered. Motorists are asked to call the Caltrans Road Information System at 1-800-427-7623 and ask for the current conditions on SR 299 in the event that the area does receive an unusual amount of precipitation. In the event of a lane or full road closure, an all weather detour will be available for motorists to use and continue their travel.

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